SCHEDULE.

1. The members of the Committee shall be elected according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

2. The President shall fix and announce a date and time for the holding of the election (if necessary) of the members of the Committee.

3. Notice may be given by any member desirous of proposing a member or members for election to the Committee. Notice shall be given in writing addressed to the Secretary to the Representative Body and signed by the members giving notice and shall be left at the office of the Secretary before 4 P. M. on Wednesday, the 24th March 1948. The member giving notice must satisfy himself that the members he proposes are willing to serve if elected.

If within the time appointed by the President any candidate proposed desires to withdraw his name he shall be free to do so.

4. If the number of candidates so nominated is less than the number of vacancies to be filled, the President will appoint a further period within which the notice aforesaid may be given and may thereafter appoint additional further periods until the number of candidates is not less than the number of vacancies to be filled.

5. If the total number of candidates nominated is equal to the number of vacancies to be filled the President shall declare all the candidates to be duly elected.

6. If the total number of candidates nominated exceeds the number of vacancies an election shall be held in the manner prescribed in rule 1.

7. For the purpose of these rules, a member shall not be deemed to have been duly nominated or be entitled to vote if he and his proposer have not signed the Register as members of the Representative Body.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABOVE RESOLUTION (GIVEN NOTICE OF BY MR. T. M. VERGHESE.)

1. In Sub clause (i) omit "a chairman" and substitute the words "the president."

2. In the same clause omit the words "with powers to co-opt not more than five" after the words "other Members."

3. In Sub clause (i) (*a*), omit the words "including sections and committees" after the words "Representative Body."

4. In Sub clause (i) (*c*) after the word "appointment", add "functions."

5. Omit Sub clause (ii)

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6. In schedule para 4, after the word "President", the following words be added :—

"shall declare the persons so nominated as duly elected and for the remaining vacancies"

MR. K. A. GANGADHARA MENON (*Nedumangad I General*): I second the Resolution which has been moved by Mr. Chacko.

MR. A. NESAMONY : Sir, with your permission I may point out that in Clause 1 (a), Mr. Verghese seeks to omit "Sections and Committees." I move an amendment that the word "Committees" should stand in the Resolution as has already been proposed, and that Clause will then read

"Rules of Procedure of the Representative Body including Committees."

This Committee will be formed to formulate the rules of procedure which ought to govern the deliberations of this Body as well as of the Committees constituted under it. It may so happen that after the rules have been framed such rules may really apply only to the Representative Body and not to its Committees. Points of order may then be raised whether the rules that have been framed for the Representative Body would apply to the Committees as well. In some cases it may even be held that no rules govern the deliberations of the Committees. I beg to bring to your notice that the same point was raised in the Dominion Constituent Assembly where the first debate was held on the inclusion or omission of the two words "Sections and Committees". In order to avoid the future difficulties in this matter, it is necessary to retain the word "Committees."

MR. K. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Thovala—General*): I second it.

MR. P. T. CHACKO : 'കമ്മറ്റി'യെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം ഞാൻ സമ്മതിക്കുന്നു. എന്നാൽ 'സെക്ഷ'നെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം അതു ആവശ്യമില്ലെന്നാണ് എന്റെ അഭിപ്രായം.

MR. PRESIDENT : Is there any opposition ?

MR. P. T. CHACKO : The word "Committee" should stand agreed.

MR. A. NESAMONY : I am sorry. I moved only for the retention of the word "Committee".

MR. PRESIDENT : Has any honourable member got any opposition ?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI : The amendment is accepted by the mover.

No opposition was raised.

MR. PRESIDENT : I take it that the Resolution as amended* is passed.

The resolution as amended was declared carried.

* The resolution as amended and passed is given in the appendix.

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Appendix

RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE REPRESENTATIVE BODY ON 24TH MARCH 1948.

This House resolves—

(i) to appoint a Committee consisting of the President and fifteen other members to report on the following matters:—

(*a*) Rules of Procedure of the Representative Body including Committees;

(*b*) Powers of the President;

(*c*) Organisation of the work of the Representative Body including the appointment, functions and powers of office bearers other than the President;

(ii) that the members of the Committee be elected in the manner prescribed in the schedule given hereunder; and

(iii) that, pending the decision of the Representative Body in that behalf, the President shall—,

(*a*) fix the allowances of the members of the Representative Body;

(*b*) in the case of the Government servants whose services are placed at the disposal of the Representative Body, fix their salaries and allowances in consultation with the Government; and

(c) fix the salaries and allowances of all the other persons appointed directly for the business of the Representative Body.

SCHEDULE.

1. The members of the Committee shall be elected according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

2. The President shall fix and announce a date and time for the holding of the election (if necessary) of the members of the Committee.

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